

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed July 9, 2008 has been received and reviewed. By the present Response and Amendment, Claims 15 and 16 are withdrawn, Claims 2, 13, 17 and 18 are cancelled, and Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12 and 14 are amended. No new matter is introduced.

Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372. Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, Claims 1-14, 17-18. Original Claims 15-16 are withdrawn.

The drawings are objected to. Applicant submits Replacement Sheets to properly label Fig. 9, Fig. 10 and Fig. 11. Applicant amends the specification of the Claimed Application to correspond with these Replacement Sheets. Specifically, paragraphs [0029-33], [0066], [0071-72] and [0076-77] are amended to accurately describe the Replacement Sheets.

Replacement Sheets containing Fig. 1 and Fig. 3 are submitted, including the PRIOR ART legend. Applicant respectfully requests that the objections to the drawings be withdrawn.

The specification is objected to. Pursuant to the above described clarification to the drawings, this objection is addressed and Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

Claims 5, 8 and 12 are objected to due to minor informalities. The suggested corrections to Claims 5, 8 and 12 have been made and Applicant respectfully requests that the objections to Claims 5, 8 and 12 be withdrawn.

Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Applicant has amended the language of Claim 9 commensurate with the Examiner's suggestions so that Claim 9 reads: "~~any~~ two points on ~~any such~~ the concave surfaces".

Claims 11-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Applicant has amended the language of Claim 11 commensurate with the Examiner's suggestions so that Claim 11 reads: "wherein said major and minor concave surfaces are combined". Applicant amends Claim 12 to depend from Claim 1. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Objections to Claims 9, 11-12 be withdrawn.

Claims 13, 14, 17, and 18 are objected to as being dependant upon a rejected base claim, but are indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 13, 17 and 18 are cancelled. Therefore the objection of Claims 13, 17 and 18 are moot. Applicant incorporates the elements of original Claim 13 and original Claim 2, from which Claim 13 depends, into Claim 1. Therefore, Claim 1 is in condition for allowance. For the same reason, Claims 3-12 and 14, which depend from Claim 1 are in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-6 and 9-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,728,182 to Kelman. Claims 7 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,728,182 to Kelman in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,004,585 to Lindacher. Having incorporated the subject matter indicated to be allowable into the independent claims, Applicant submits that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments submitted herein and the above comments, it is believed that all grounds of rejection are overcome and that the application has now been placed in full condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant earnestly solicits early and favorable action. Should there be any further questions or reservations, the Examiner is urged to telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney at (770) 984-2300.

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